

2018 Current Fiscal Year Report: Invasive Species Advisory Committee

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1. Department or Agency

Department of the Interior

2. Fiscal Year

2018

3. Committee or Subcommittee

Invasive Species Advisory Committee

3b. GSA Committee No.

5314

4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

No

5. Current Charter

12/18/2017

6. Expected Renewal Date

12/18/2019

7. Expected Term Date

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

8b. Specific Termination Authority

8c. Actual Term Date

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

11. Establishment Authority

Presidential

12. Specific Establishment Authority

Executive Order 13112, as amended by Executive Order 13751

13. Effective Date

02/03/1999

14. Committee Type

Continuing

14c. Presidential?

No

15. Description of Committee

National Policy Issue Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports

5

16b. Report Date

Report Title

12/06/2017	Advanced Biotechnology Tools for Invasive Species Management
12/06/2017	Enhancing Federal-Tribal Coordination of Invasive Species
12/06/2017	Managed Relocation: Reducing the Risk of Biological Invasion
03/01/2018	Considerations for the 2019–2021 NISC Management Plan
03/01/2018	Reducing the Risk of Invasive Pathogens to Wildlife Health in the United States

Number of Committee Reports Listed: 5

17a. Open 2 17b. Closed 0 17c. Partially Closed 0 Other Activities 0 17d. Total 2

Meetings and Dates

Purpose

The purpose of a meeting was to convene the full ISAC to discuss and consider adoption of briefing papers generated by ISAC task teams on: (1) Federal-State Coordination, (2) Federal-Tribal Coordination; (3) Wildlife Health; (4) Advanced Biotechnology; (5) Infrastructure; and, (6) Managed Relocation.

Start

End

12/06/2017 - 12/06/2017

The purpose of this meeting was to convene the ISAC in a manner that enabled it to provide information and advice for consideration by NISC on matters related to NISC priorities. The meeting took place over a three day period with each day having a unique agenda that, collectively, enabled a combination of public input and focused ISAC discussions that ultimately resulted in the provision of advice to NISC.

NOTE: DRAFT minutes uploaded to database via DOCUMENTS above. Minutes provided are in DRAFT format pending committee approval. Due to cancellation of meeting scheduled for July 19, 2018, the consensus vote to approve these minutes has been delayed until the next meeting (teleconference) currently scheduled for October 30, 2018.

02/27/2018 - 03/01/2018

Number of Committee Meetings Listed: 2

	Current FY	Next FY
18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$84,908.00	\$65,000.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$14,245.00	\$14,957.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$9,537.00	\$10,013.00
18d. Total	\$108,690.00	\$89,970.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.63	0.60

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

Invasive Species Advisory Committee (ISAC) has at least one in person meeting per year. In addition, members communicate frequently by e-mail, fax, and phone with other ISAC members and additional experts and stakeholders to formulate and provide advice to the National Invasive Species Council (Council) on matters pertaining to invasive species policy and resources. For example, the initial membership of the ISAC provided input to the first National Invasive Species Management Plan (approved by the Council in January, 2001). The current membership of ISAC is providing advice concerning the implementation action items for the 2019-2021 National Invasive Species Management Plan and relevant executive orders.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

Membership is balanced among geographical, professional, regional, and subject discipline expertise, as well as other factors. Members are knowledgeable on invasive species issues in a broad range of communities of interest e.g., aquaculture, plant industries, weed science, fisheries science, rangeland management, forest science, plant and animal pathology, invasion biology, conservation biology, agriculture, ecosystem ecology, international trade, and laws and regulations relevant to invasive species policy. Membership includes: individuals from private industry, conservation organizations, academia, and state and tribal governments.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

At least one meeting is held each year. Most meetings are held within the Washington DC commuting area. However, some meetings are held outside the Washington DC commuting area to facilitate broader public input and understanding of regional issues and concerns. Meetings are the primary means for members to exchange information, discuss policy issues with senior officials, to complete the review and formulation of advice, and to share that advice with the National Invasive Species Council.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

This Committee provides advice from a broad range of stakeholders and subject discipline experts to the senior-most officials of 13 Executive Branch Departments/Agencies and three Executive Offices of the President. The extensive depth and range of expertise represented by the membership of the Invasive Species Advisory Committee is not available from any other single source.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

To date, no meetings have been closed, and a public comment period is provided within the agenda of each meeting.

21. Remarks

Executive Order 13112 (February 3, 1999), establishing the Invasive Species Advisory Committee, was amended by Executive Order 13751 (December 5, 2016).

Designated Federal Officer

Jamie K. Reaser Executive Director of the National Invasive Species Council

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Barger, Charles	01/07/2013	05/12/2019	University of Georgia	Representative Member
Burch, Patrick	09/16/2011	10/07/2017	Dow AgroSciences	Representative Member
Clark, Edward	05/12/2016	05/12/2019	The Wildlife Center of Virginia	Representative Member
Doering, Otto	09/16/2008	10/07/2017	Purdue University, Department of Agricultural Economics	Representative Member
Ellis, Susan	09/16/2008	10/17/2017	California Department of Fish and Game	Representative Member
Franklin, Slade	05/12/2016	05/12/2019	Wyoming Department of Agriculture	Representative Member
Harper-Lore, Bonnie	09/16/2011	10/17/2017	Minnesota Invasive Species Council	Representative Member
Hyatt, William	01/07/2013	05/12/2019	Connecticut Dept. of Energy and Environmental Protection	Representative Member

McFarland, Janis	01/07/2013 05/12/2019	Syngenta Crop Protection, LLC	Representative Member
Meyers, N.	09/16/2011 10/07/2017	Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council	Representative Member
Meyerson, Laura	05/12/2016 05/12/2019	University of Rhode Island	Representative Member
Mills, Edward	09/16/2008 10/07/2017	Cornell University	Representative Member
Okada, Carol	01/07/2013 05/12/2019	Hawaii Department of Agriculture	Representative Member
Parker, Blaine	05/12/2016 05/12/2019	Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission	Representative Member
Southey, Sean	05/12/2016 05/12/2019	PCI Media Impact	Representative Member
Starling, David	09/16/2008 10/07/2017	Aqueterinary Services, P.C.	Representative Member
Stewart, Brent	05/12/2016 05/12/2019	Hubbs-Sea World Research Institute	Representative Member
Stone, Nathan	09/16/2008 10/17/2017	Engle-Stone Aquatic\$ LLC	Representative Member
Tabor, Gary	05/12/2016 05/12/2019	The Center for Large Landscape Conservation	Representative Member
Thompson, John Peter	09/16/2011 10/17/2017	Invasive Species Consultant	Representative Member
Van Steenwyk, Robert	09/16/2011 10/07/2017	University of California, Berkeley	Representative Member
Waitt, Damon	09/16/2008 10/07/2017	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	Representative Member
White, Jeffrey	05/12/2016 05/12/2019	Newmont Mining Corporation/Elko Land and Livestock Company	Representative Member
Wiltshire, Robert	09/16/2008 10/07/2017	Invasive Species Action Network	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 24

Narrative Description

Executive Order (EO) 13751 continues the advisory committee established under EO 13112. The Invasive Species Advisory Committee (ISAC) helps NISC fulfill its duties by providing advice on high-level policy and program issues relevant to invasive species. This is a representative Committee that has no SGEs. Among other things, ISAC plays a critical role in drafting and making recommendations on implementation of action items in the National Invasive Species Management Plan, available on the NISC website, www.doi.gov/invasivespecies.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

- Improvements to health or safety ☒
- Trust in government ☒
- Major policy changes ☒

Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

ISAC helps NISC fulfill its duties as the interdepartmental body charged with providing federal leadership on invasive species from a whole of government perspective. In particular, ISAC provides advice on high-level policy and program issues relevant to invasive species.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$500,001 - \$1,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Over \$10,000,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cost Savings Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Cost Savings Comments

The over 30 federal agencies and bureaus that are overseen by the members of NISC spend about \$1.5 billion annually on invasive species. Because this committee operates at a broad level and provides advice to a wide range of federal action, science, and natural resource management agencies it is not possible to identify specific areas of cost savings. For additional invasive species budget information please visit the NISC website, <https://www.doi.gov/invasivespecies/nisc-resources>

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

216

Number of Recommendations Comments

ISAC met twice in FY 2018. The 29 recommendations submitted this FY were included in

four (4) white papers, and a memorandum to NISC:1) December 6, 2017 (VIA TELECONFERENCE - 18 recommendations): ISAC approved the following white papers: a) Enhancing Federal-Tribal Coordination of Invasive Species; b) Advanced Biotechnology Tools for Invasive Species Management; c) Managed Relocation: Reducing the Risk of Biological Invasion; and, d) Reducing the Risk of Invasive Pathogens to Wildlife Health in the United States 2) February 28 - March 1, 2018 (IN-PERSON - 11 recommendations): ISAC drafted and submitted a memorandum to NISC in which it lists topics for consideration in development of the 2019-2021 NISC Management Plan..NOTE: Due to unavailability of the majority of NISC senior leadership, the teleconference meeting scheduled for July 19, 2018 was CANCELLED. ISAC's memorandum and white papers, with the recommendations therein, can be found on the NISC website, at <https://www.doi.gov/invasivespecies/isac-resources>.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

56%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

NISC staff estimates that at least 55% of ISAC Recommendations that have been fully implemented. Challenges to further implementation have included limits in funding and staff capacity, the lack of clarity on the advice provided, and the inability to garner substantial support from multi-federal agencies and/or non-federal partners in a timely manner. Note: Implementation is tracked at the overall Departmental/Agency level since this is the level of NISC membership.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

27%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

Implementation of most ISAC recommendations requires on-going inter-departmental efforts among NISC members, and often involves non-federal partners. Few recommendations call for discrete actions or reporting on implementation.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

Agency Feedback Comments

Agencies have the opportunity to provide feedback to ISAC at their regular meetings and in written reports. Agencies are encouraged to respond to all ISAC recommendations that specifically concern their programs and/or actions. Agencies are also invited to request additional information or clarification from ISAC concerning their recommendations before responding to ISAC or NISC.

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

	Checked if Applies
Reorganized Priorities	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

ISAC exists to support NISC in achieving its duties. Numerous white papers and associated recommendations have been provided to NISC since its establishment in 1999. These papers are available on NISC's website, www.invasivespecies.gov.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

ISAC does not review grants. To date, ISAC has not advice concerning grant processes, gaps or areas of need, and award criteria.

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

	Checked if Applies
Contact DFO	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

All final documents generated by ISAC are available on the NISC Website, www.doi.gov/invasivespecies, and are also uploaded into the FACA database.